

September 2, 1998

His Excellency M. Rev. Agostino Cacciavillan Apostolic Nunciature 3339 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington DC 20008-3687

Your Excellency,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter I have sent to Archbishop Bertone of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

In the event the Murphy family writes to you in protest, I would like to inform you that they never took seriously the multiple accusations of sexual abuse of boys against Father Lawrence Murphy that have been reported to us and verified. Since these also involved confessional circumstances, we had been working with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith as to how to proceed.

Many blessings.

Sincerely yours in the Lord,

Most Reverend Rembert G. Weakland, O.S.B.

Archbishop of Milwaukee

Enclosure